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Re: West Valley-North Power Case No. 127

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Dear Sir/Madam:

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The Arizona Department of Water Resources (Department) has reviewed Figure 2, Preferred System Option and Alternative Options for the APS West Valley-North Power Line and Substation Project. The power line routes shown are adjacent to, along and cross McMicken Dam, which is a jurisdictional structure under A.R.S. § 45-1201. These proposed routes may require that the dam owner file an Application for Approval of the Plans and Specifications for the Construction, Enlargement, Repair, Alteration or Removal of a Dam and Reservoir (A.R.S. §§ 45-1203, 1206) to obtain a permit from the Department. However, maintaining a setback distance of 100 feet from the toe of the dam for any structure related to the project will minimize the potential need for a permit from the Department.

We understand that the project is being coordinated with the Flood Control District of Maricopa County who owns and operates the dam. We would appreciate receiving more detailed plans of the project as they are developed, either from the Flood Control District or from the Commission.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, or Jon Benoist from my staff at 602-417-2445.

Sincerely,

J. Darrell Jordan  
Manager

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